

**The Texas Revolution: Connections to the Republic of Texas Extension Lesson**  
 Lesson Plan for 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Texas History (45-60 minutes)

In this extension lesson, Growth of Cotton and the Expansion of Slavery, students explore the growth of cotton and expansion of slavery using the Atlas of the Historical Geography of the United States.

**Essential Questions**

1. How did the Texas Revolution contribute to the growth of cotton and expansion of slavery?

*Table 1. Lesson Materials, Descriptions, and TEKS for Extension Activity*

| <b>Printable Lesson Materials</b> | <b>Material Description</b>   | <b>Lesson Specific TEKS</b>  |
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| <b>Digital Lab</b>                | This is an online extension activity that provides a visual connection to cotton and slavery growth in Texas over a 70-year period: from 1790-1860. Students will manipulate and analyze various interactive maps through guided questions.<br><br><i>Suggested printing: 1 per student</i> | 7.3(A)(C)<br>7.5(A)<br>7.16(A)<br>7.20(B)(C)(D)<br><br>7.6(A)(C) ELA |

Primary Source Documents

[Public Treaty of Velasco](#) - The Portal to Texas History

[Cotton and Slavery Graphs and Charts - Texas Slavery Project](#)

[Copy of the Constitution of the Republic of Texas, transcribed by Secretary of Convention, Henry S. Kimble: March 17, 1836.](#) The Portal to Texas History